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The Big Spring High School band, shown competing in Saturday's Region 6 Marching Contest Saturday in Odessa, will attempt to qualify for the University Interscholastic League state marching contest when it participates in the UIL area contest this weekend in Lubbock.

Steer band hoping to play its way to state contest

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring High School band will try to snap a decade-long streak when it performs in the University Interscholastic League Class 3A area marching contest Saturday in Lubbock. The 150-member Steer Band will try to qualify for the state UIL marching contest for the first time since 2001 when it performs at Lubbock's Lowery Field at approximately 12:30 p.m. The band earned a spot in the area contest by earning top ratings at last Saturday's Region 6 Marching Contest held at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa. Big Spring earned Division I

ratings — the highest possible — from all three judges at the regional contest.

"They performed very well," BSHS Band Director Rocky Harris said of his charges.

"And we had a great audience. One thing we definitely want to see at area is for people to come out and see us."

Earlier this month, BSHS was named the outstanding Class 3A band — and sixth overall — at the Denver City Marching Festival.

The band will definitely have its work cut out for it Saturday — only

the top three of 16 bands entered in the contest qualify for state, Harris said. Other schools entered in the area contest include Pampa, Abilene Wylie, Andrews, Snyder, Levelland and Monahans.

Harris said the band's main focus this week has been eliminating what few mistakes it made at the regional contest.

"We're working at eliminating errors, either in marching or in our playing," Harris said. "The bands who make the fewest mistakes will be the ones who advance."

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com



Harris

Trade Days planned at the Dorothy

Herald Staff Report

Early and unique Christmas gifts — or just treating yourself — is the order of the day this weekend at Dee's Trade Show.

Formerly held in the Howard County Fair Barn, this time around the popular event will be held at Howard College Coliseum. Hours are from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday.

There is no admission charge and door prizes will be given out every hour both days. And since it is the Halloween season, Trade Show goers are invited to wear their costumes. Candy will be handed out to trick or treaters Saturday.

Among the items featured at the show will be wood crafts, candles, scents, clothes, shoes, hats, jewelry, leather goods and items for all ages — children through adult.

There will be food vendors on hand as well.

Angel Tree applications are due now

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

With the first week of accepting applications for the annual Angel Tree program in the books, officials with the local Salvation Army say time is running out for area residents looking to take advantage of the program.

According to Ada Lafler, the Salvation Army social worker in charge of the program, the charity will take applications for the program through Friday.

"The first week of applications went really well, so we're pretty excited about this week," Lafler said. "We'll take applications through Friday."

The Angel Tree program — which provides Christmas gifts for the children of area low-income families and area seniors struggling through the holiday — has been a huge success in years past, and with economic times still extremely tough for many West Texans, this year's Angel Tree will be no exception.

"The Angel Tree program has helped so many families that are struggling just to make ends meet," said Lafler. "It's a sad thing to think about, to realize a lot of these children wouldn't otherwise have had a single present under the Christmas tree come the holiday. And with the economy still struggling, especially out there in West Texas, we're expecting the demand to be just as high or higher than last year."

Lafler said area families wanting to apply for assistance through the Angel Tree program can continue to do so through Friday.

"We'll be accepting applications through Friday," she said. "All they have to do is

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Lafler

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Cossacks MC to hold fundraiser

Herald Staff Report

The Cossacks Motorcycle Club, Permian Basin Chapter, will be holding a fundraiser Saturday to benefit Bykes for Tykes.

The Halloween party will begin at 5 p.m. at the CMC Clubhouse.

The Clubhouse is located at 1611 N. Birdwell in Big Spring.

Admission is \$10 per person or \$15 per couple and includes food and soft drink or tea.

Among the activities will be a costume contest, an auction and a 50/50 drawing.

Regulators may double electric prices cap

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Public Utility Commission will consider doubling the cap on wholesale electricity prices in hopes of convincing generators to build more power plants.

The commission is likely to approve the increase today, four months after it approved a 50 percent boost.

Chairwoman Donna Nelson says raising the price is necessary to encourage more plant construction

and ensure enough power is available during peak periods.

Companies have complained that they are not getting paid enough for their investments in power plants, and generating capacity has gone down. But consumer groups worry a wholesale increase will increase household electric bills.

The latest proposal would raise the cap on prices from \$4,500 per megawatt hour to \$9,000 a megawatt hour.

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• American Legion Post 506 Ladies Auxiliary will hold a Mexican dinner fund raiser at the post from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday. Plates are \$10 apiece; carry out orders are welcome. For more information, call 263-2084.

• Howard County Master Gardeners will offer drought-tolerant trees and shrubs for sale at their annual Fall Plant Sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at 1604 W. third St. Also available are grasses and perennials which are low-to-moderate water users. For more information, contact Walter Ward at 432-466-4138.

• Tables are available for the holiday craft and bake sale at Christ Community Fellowship to occur Saturday, Nov. 3. Call Jean Vande Weerd for more information at 432-556-4603. Rental fee is \$10. Space is limited.

• Crispy's Cafe is the featured Dine Out Day sponsor for United Way through Saturday. As a Dine Out Day sponsor, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County 2013 campaign. Other sponsors for this year have included, Papa Chons, Carlos, KC Steakhouse, Yellow Rose Café at Scenic Mountain and Cowboys. Next week's Dine Out Days sponsor will be Chicken Express. To find out how to contribute to the campaign, call Sandy Stewart at 267-5201.

• Dr. Barbara Matthews will be the guest speaker for the next Visual Awareness Support Group meeting set for 5:30 p.m. Thursday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 S. Goliad. Dr. Matthews will speak about depression as it relates to vision loss. VASG is a support group to help to individuals that have poor or deteriorating vision. The meeting is open to everyone but will be focused on people who have significant vision problems, their family members, friends and care givers. It is the goal of this group to provide, through education, a sense of hope to people that have vision problems and help them and their care givers cope with vision loss. Please call 263-2501 for more information or email us at: eyeasocone@crcom.net.

• Adopt a Military Hero, Howard County's Christmas for the Troops, is now accepting APO addresses for military members deployed to Afghanistan. Send APOs to adoptmilitaryhero@sbcglobal.net. All APOs should be turned in by Nov. 10. If you would like to "Adopt a Military Hero," boxes are available at 1606 E. Third or call 432-270-8554 for more information. All donations must be turned in by Nov. 21.

• An account has been set up at Western Bank for Kristen Lasater and family, who lost their home to a house fire Monday afternoon. The account number, for those wanting to make a donation, is 1004597.

• An account has been set up at Citizen's Credit Union for Emma Leos, who was recently diagnosed with colon cancer.

• Jo Anna Bailey, an aide for many years at Washington Elementary School, has been diagnosed with cancer. A medical donation account has been established for her at the Big Spring Education Credit Union, located at 1110 Benton. Your generosity will enable her to have much-needed tests and treatment.

• Compass Hospice is in need of your help. If you would be interested in offering your love and God's comfort to those who are suffering, or to their families, contact Michelle Coutermarsh at 263-5999 or come by 602 S. Main.

Any amount of time is greatly appreciated. Training is offered free of charge.

Obituaries

Chad Lee Posey



Chad Lee Posey, 29, of Great Falls, Montana, formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2012, in Montana. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, Oct. 26, 2012, at Life Church, Big Spring, with Clint Collins, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 25, 2012, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Chad was born April 15, 1983, in Big Spring, Texas. The Posey family moved to Weatherford, Texas, in 1984, where Chad attended schools and graduated as a Texas Honor Student in 2001.

Chad always had a beautiful smile and lived life helping others. He joined the United States Air Force in 2004, traveling from San Antonio, Texas, Leatherwood, Missouri, Germany, Phoenix, Ariz., and Great Falls, Mont. He touched many lives and made many friends during his life.

He is survived by his wife, Cassie; son, Max; and daughter, Hope of Great Falls, Mont.; his parents, Benton and Sandy Posey; sister, Stacy and niece, Addison of Big Spring; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends who will miss his big smile and loving heart.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Vivian Rush; and uncle, Mike Matthews.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Lucio Montemayor Vasquez



Lucio Montemayor Vasquez, 41, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2012, at his residence. A viewing will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, Oct. 26, 2012, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born Oct. 26, 1970, in Colorado City, Texas, and married Dora Cervantes Sept. 27, 2010, in Big Spring.

Lucio grew up in Colorado City and graduated from Colorado City High School. After graduation he joined the United States Army and served in Korea. Lucio worked at various jobs and was a master of all trades. He moved to Big Spring in 2001.

Lucio was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Colorado City.

Survivors include his wife, Dora Vasquez of Big Spring; his daughter, Brittany Vasquez of Colorado City; two step-daughters, Shaundra Gonzonales and Gladys Gonzonales, both of Big Spring; his parents, Alfonso and Velia Vasquez; two sisters, Leticia Mitchell and Patricia Vasquez; three brothers, Luis Vasquez, Alfonso Vasquez Jr. and Marcos Vasquez; his maternal grandmother, Magdalena Gonzales; his paternal grandmother, Damiana Contreras; his granddaughter, Conneigh Beltran, all of Colorado City; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his two grandfathers, Ben Gonzales and Ramon Contreras.

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Carolyn Hanson

Carolyn Hanson, 81, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2012, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

• Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

• Visual Awareness Support Group (VASG) is open to the public but specifically aimed for people who suffer from vision problems and their caregivers. For more information, call 263-2501.

FRIDAY

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program, is held at Cornerstone Covenant Church, 706 E. 12th St. at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call at 264-0015 or visit www.cccbigspring.org

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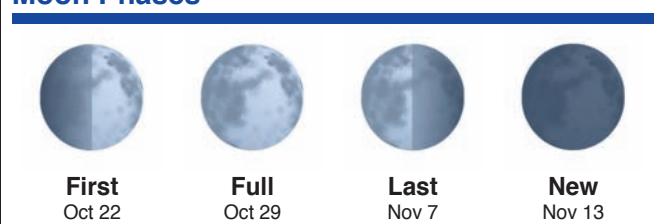
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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	55	38	cloudy
Amarillo	52	29	sunny
Austin	62	50	cloudy
Beaumont	81	52	t-storm
Brownsville	89	61	pt sunny
Brownwood	55	42	cloudy
Corpus Christi	79	57	pt sunny
Corsicana	55	41	t-storm
Dallas	56	42	cloudy
Del Rio	66	54	cloudy
El Paso	69	43	sunny
Fort Stockton	51	42	cloudy
Gainesville	56	37	cloudy
Greenville	55	39	cloudy
Houston	73	53	t-storm
Kingsville	84	56	pt sunny
Livingston	67	47	t-storm
Longview	57	42	t-storm
Lubbock	56	31	mst sunny
Lufkin	66	47	t-storm
Midland	52	40	cloudy
Raymondville	90	57	pt sunny
Rosenberg	72	52	pt sunny
San Antonio	66	53	cloudy
San Marcos	63	50	cloudy
Sulphur Springs	57	40	cloudy
Sweetwater	52	38	cloudy
Tyler	58	42	rain
Weatherford	55	37	cloudy
Wichita Falls	58	35	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	80	56	pt sunny
Boston	67	49	mst sunny
Chicago	50	38	pt sunny
Dallas	56	42	cloudy
Denver	38	23	sn shower
Houston	73	53	t-storm
Los Angeles	85	58	sunny
Miami	78	70	rain
Minneapolis	43	28	mst sunny
New York	67	56	cloudy
Phoenix	80	56	sunny
San Francisco	70	57	sunny
Seattle	46	45	rain
St. Louis	54	39	rain
Washington, DC	72	59	cloudy

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State briefs

9 hurt in overnight Texas City chemical leak

TEXAS CITY, Texas (AP) — Officials say nine people have been hurt in a chemical tank leak that restricted outdoor activities in a Southeast Texas city for hours.

Emergency authorities in Texas City lifted the shelter-in-place order shortly after 5 a.m. Thursday in a storage tank spill involving hydrochloric acid.

Homeland Security coordinator Bruce Clawson says four firefighters and five workers at the Dallas Group of America Inc. unit were transported to a hospital. Clawson says all suffered acid exposure with injuries not believed to be life-threatening.

A storage tank leaked around 11 p.m. Wednesday near the Port of Texas City. A shelter-in-place order for the city of 45,000 advised people to stay inside, turn off air conditioning and keep windows and doors closed.

Officials with the Dallas Group didn't immediately return a message Thursday.

U.S. to return 4,000 archaeological items to Mexico

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — The United States is returning to Mexico more than 4,000 architectural artifacts agents have seized at several places across the nation.

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement says the cache of items mostly date from before the landings of European explorers on the North American continent. The lot includes pre-Columbian stones used to grind corn and other grains, statues, figurines, copper hatchets and other artifacts. ICE spokeswoman Leticia Zamarripa says the seizures were made in El Paso, Phoenix, Chicago, Denver, San Diego and San Antonio.

Bill Clinton to rally Texas Dems in swing district

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — One of the closest U.S. House races in the country is in Texas, and former President Bill Clinton is coming to try and give Democrats a boost.

Clinton will hold a rally Thursday in San Antonio for Democratic congressional hopeful Pete Gallego. The longtime state lawmaker is trying to take the sprawling 23rd Congressional District from Republican U.S. Rep. Francisco Canseco, who narrowly won the seat in 2010.

This year's election is expected to be just as close.

It's also been just as costly and heated, with at least \$5 million in television ads poured into the race.

It's the third time since 2006 that Clinton has rallied Democrats in what has become a perennial swing district. His last visit in 2010 couldn't stop a Republican victory.

Alamo to display fragile 'Victory or Death' letter

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Visitors to the Alamo will get a rare glimpse next year of the "Victory or Death" letter penned 177 years ago by the head of the outnumbered Texas forces while under bombardment by Mexican government troops.

The State Library and Archives Commission voted Wednesday to allow the fragile, fading letter written by Col. William Barret Travis to be displayed at the Alamo for the anniversary of the two-week battle that ended on March 6, 1836. The commission originally decided against the loan but later reconsidered.

State archivists had recommended against transporting the letter to San Antonio and putting it on display. Light has already bleached the original letter, making it difficult to read and the paper extremely fragile. The letter is kept in a dark vault in Austin.

But Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson told the commission Wednesday he thought displaying the letter for the first time at the Alamo would attract tremendous interest in Texas history.

"There is a balance between preservation and public access," he said. "In my view, in every Texan's lifetime there should be one opportunity to see this in person."

The commission chairman, Michael Waters, pointed out that the letter was placed on display at the state library in Austin on the anniversaries of the siege in 2010 and 2011. The main topic of Wednesday's hearing centered on providing security for the letter, not whether the travel or the exposure would harm it.

Mothers testify about losing kids

HOUSTON (AP) — During often tearful testimony, the mothers of four children who died in a 2011 home day care fire in Houston recounted for jurors on Wednesday the despair and grief they felt in the wake of the deadly blaze.

The parents testified during the first day of the felony murder trial of former day care owner Jessica Tata. She is facing up to life in prison if convicted.

Prosecutors say Tata, 24, put the children in

harm's way by leaving them alone and going shopping. While she was at a nearby Target, a fire broke out in the kitchen when oil in a frying pan on a stovetop burner ignited. Three children were also seriously injured in the February 2011 blaze.

Tata's attorneys say she didn't intend to hurt the children.

"It's heartbreaking. She's a baby. She didn't know," said Kenya Stradford, whose 20-month-old daughter Kendyll died in the blaze.

The mothers told jurors they had trusted Tata, believing their children were safe with her.

Texas executes convicted killer

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Convicted killer Bobby Lee Hines was executed Wednesday for strangling and repeatedly stabbing a suburban Dallas woman at her apartment 21 years ago.

Hines, 40, was 19 and on probation for burglary when he stabbed 26-year-old Michelle Wendy Haupt 18 times and strangled her with a cord. Haupt had moved from the Pittsburgh area to Carrollton to work at a computer company in Dallas, and Hines was staying next door with a maintenance man for her apartment complex.

Asked by a warden to make a final statement, Hines repeatedly asked for forgiveness.

"I know that I took somebody special from y'all," he said as Haupt's father stood a few feet away, watching through a window. "I know it wasn't right, it was wrong. I wish I could give it back, but I know I can't."

"I wish there was something I could do."

He said he loved his family, believed life in prison would be a worse punishment, and then declared that he was "going home."

Electrical short caused Big Tex fire

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas fire officials say an electrical short in Big Tex's wiring caused the fiery demise of the towering cowboy who had been an icon of the State Fair of Texas for 60 years.

Dallas Fire-Rescue released the official cause of the fire on Tuesday, saying it was due to an "unspecified electrical short."

The 52-foot-tall cowboy who greeted fair-goers with a "Howdy, folks!" was destroyed by fire on Friday. After the blaze was extinguished, the tarp-covered remains were hauled from the fairgrounds on a flatbed truck in a procession resembling a funeral.

Fair organizers have vowed to rebuild Big Tex for next year.

ANGELS

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come by the office between 9 a.m. and noon, or 1 p.m. and 3 p.m."

The application process is simple, according to Lafler, and for some area children it could be the difference between waking up with gifts under the tree Christmas morning and waking up to nothing.

"They need to come in and bring a picture ID for all of the adults, social security cards for all of the household members living there and proof of income," said Lafler. "That means check stubs from work, food stamps, AFDC, TANIF, HUD or any of those types of income. They need to bring those in with them, because

we do verify them. They also need to bring in a copy of all of their expenses, as well as a list of what their children might want for Christmas, including clothes sizes and shoe sizes.

"The picture ID has to be a state issued ID, not the kind you can get at certain convenience stores. Also, they need to be sure to bring either the social security

card itself, or a print out from the Social Security Office. It has to appear on something official, even DHS (Department of Health Services) records."

Once the names and gift ideas are collected and put on the Angel Trees in the form of cards, area shoppers will have the opportunity to brighten a child's holiday by choosing one

and purchasing items for them.

The trees will be erected in area stores and shops, according to Lafler.

"The trees usually go up the week of Thanksgiving," she said.

For more information on the Angel Tree program, call 267-8239 or stop by their office, located at 811 W Fifth Street.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We achieve our greatest success by breaking away from the wrong direction and coming to You, Lord.

Amen

From the mouths of babes

It may be a baby when it comes to knowing the ways of the world, or in this case, the ways of the economic development corporation and the understandings of 4B, but as they say, wise words can come from the mouth of babes.

As I attended Tuesday's public forum featuring Carlton Schwab, president/CEO of Texas Economic Development Council, regarding information about economic development corporations, I looked around the room and noticed I was one of three people in the room under the age of 50. Don't get me wrong, I was surrounded by friends and respected colleagues, but I have to admit I am now worried about what my generation and my son's generation are being led into. I am even more worried that not that many people care to find out valuable information.

This was a public forum, an opportunity to find out information and receive statistics about economic development corporations throughout Texas. It was open to the community, voters and non-voters, opponents and supporters of 4B and yet, the attendance was to say the least ... pitiful.

As our mayor, Tommy Duncan, said at one point during the night, he was the only voice of the opposition in attendance; having Duncan as the only voice of opposition surprised me. This was a chance for the opposition to not only find out information about other communities that have instituted the 4B economic corporations but to voice their opposition publicly again. However, instead of attending, they left the mayor to fight the battle alone.

As I sat there and heard the bickering coming from both sides, I couldn't help but have one question continuously pop up in my head, "If we do this, can we backtrack?"

I know right now that having access to more money sounds like a magic wand to solve all problems, but we need to remember what will happen once this door is opened. Once a door opens, anyone and everyone can walk in and — before you know it — everything is gone. Duncan assures the EDC he won't be taking the money, but he can't guarantee the person after him won't and he can't guarantee other organizations won't ... there are no guarantees.

It was stated by Schwab that Big Spring would basically be dooming itself if a 4B economic development corporation was approved. After seeing the presented facts and listening to the

arguments brought by both sides — mind you each reader should take this with a grain of salt and do with it what they may — my conclusion is why should we fix something if it isn't broken? Our economy is growing; why mess with that?

As Schwab said, each community and situation is unique. Statistics can show us what has happened (over and over again) in each of the communities that have chosen to take this journey and there is no guarantee that we will or won't follow that same path, but to me it seems that there is a pattern. Once an EDC adopts to a 4B, the economic development in the community begins to dissipate and eventually stops.

In the past year or so I was able to witness several projects aided by the EDC and have seen the progress that has come from those efforts. Being of the younger generation and understanding the desire to get out of this town, I can see the importance of new industry, growth and development in our community. Big Spring, at least from my perception, has always been a small community and has had to overcome several hurdles when it comes to growth. As much as we want to be a place that people flock to or a place that people want to stay in, we are not.

To many, it seems the grass is greener on the other side of the fence, but that is just because our full potential has not been reached. The opportunity is there, the growth is still a possibility, but if we put up our own barriers, it will only be that much harder to get to the point of attractiveness.

One of the main points of the night was that even though beautification projects may seem like a good way to attract new business and growth for a community, it isn't what industry and big business are looking for. When it comes to water availability, road structure, etc., it is a given that a community would have those things. A company isn't going to pick us over our neighbor because we have a nicer downtown area. We are going to attract businesses that will bring more jobs and build our community by showing a potential for growth and lack of political bickering.

The EDC is put in place with the objective of not only finding prospective businesses that can benefit every aspect of our community, which would eventually trickle into improvement and beautification, but to do so by upselling our community. The EDC is there to offer incentives, provide information sought by those prospects and help out when and where it is needed. Once you start taking away its ability to do so, you start hindering the potential of growth.

This is the way I see it, the EDC

serves as the marketing department for our city. It is on the front lines, promoting Big Spring and showing prospective industries what they can have if they chose to locate here. If the EDC is not there or doesn't have appropriate resources and funding to do that job, who will? Who will be there to be waving their hands in the air saying "pick me! pick me!" and showing those prospects the reasons why.

The competition is rough and doesn't seem to be getting any easier and if we start sitting on the sidelines we will have nobody but ourselves to blame when our little community shrinks in size and really becomes a place nobody knows about.

I am nowhere near able to tell anyone which way to vote, though I have my opinion, as do many in this town, but I will say this. If our community truly wants to grow and prosper, each and every one of us needs to be more open-minded. We need to stop being so hard-headed and stuck in our ways and hear, truly hear, both sides. Good decisions are made when people become educated and consider not only their point of view, but all points of view. Tomorrow is not a guarantee and just because we are growing successfully at this point doesn't mean that trend will continue.

As a member of the younger generation, I realize that the way of thinking is to make a decision quickly, oftentimes we make uninformed decisions, and then go back and change them later. If we don't like a choice we tend to walk away from the situation or try and push the rewind button, but my question remains, can we backtrack from this?

With the economy being in the situation it is, moving to a 4B EDC may sound attractive and it seems to be opening up a new avenue for funding, but at what cost? What will we be getting once we open Pandora's Box and will this be a decision my generation and my son's generation have to live with because those in power had a bright idea to solve the money crisis. Or, will our community stop, think, truly educate themselves and think five, 10 years ahead before they cast their vote.

I know I want to see growth for this community and considering I basically signed on for the long haul, at least another five to 10 years here in my hometown, I don't want to see Big Spring digress. I want to continue to see growth and for that reason I encourage all voters, especially the younger generation of voters to get out there, find the facts and help ensure that we have a future of growth before us.

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AMANDA DUFORAT

According to poll, religiously unaffiliated less likely to vote

The recent boom in religiously unaffiliated Americans may ultimately help explain the results of the upcoming 2012 presidential election, according to a new poll that shows such voters lean heavily toward President Barack Obama but are less likely than the religiously affiliated to turn out.

Nearly one-quarter of likely Obama supporters say they have no particular religion — a group less likely to vote than those affiliated with an organized religion, according to a poll released Monday by the Public Religion Research Institute (PRRI). Sixty-one percent of unaffiliated voters said they would likely cast a ballot, compared with 73 percent of those who are religiously affiliated.

The poll, one of a slew being

released in the days before the election, focuses on the overlap — and sometimes contradiction — of a person's faith identity and their views on newsy topics from religious freedom to abortion.

White Catholics, for example, are far more likely than Latino Catholics to favorably view Mitt Romney (54 percent vs. 27 percent). Yet White Catholics also are more likely to believe abortion should be legal in all or most cases, a view more in line with Obama's.

The poll shows that nearly six in 10 Americans believe religious liberty is threatened in America, but about the same number believe religiously affiliated institutions should be required to provide employees with no-cost birth control. Ending the new White House mandate for such coverage has been the centerpiece of a campaign by the Catholic Church and conservative religious groups.

The poll, which was co-authored by several senior fellows at the Brookings Institution, highlights the

stark difference among faith groups.

Nearly eight in 10 likely Romney voters identify themselves as white Christians — mainline Protestants, Catholic or evangelical — while the number of likely Obama voters who identify themselves as white Christians drops to about four in 10. Other large parts of Obama's base are the unaffiliated (23 percent), black Protestants (18 percent) and Latino Catholics (6 percent).

Like the unaffiliated, Latino and African-American voters traditionally have lower turnout rates, said Robert Jones, a poll co-author who founded the institute.

"Romney has a turnout advantage in that his supporters are more white," Jones said. The poll showed Romney with a 21-point lead among white working-class voters overall, but the group was more divided when looked at by faith.

Sixty-six percent of white working-class Protestant voters supported Romney, compared with 30 percent for

Obama. Among white working-class Catholics, neither candidate had a statistically significant edge.

The poll also laid out other voting gaps. According to PRRI, 53 percent of female voters were likely to support Obama, compared with 44 percent for Romney. Seventy-six percent of women who have never been married support Obama, while 55 percent of married women support Romney.

Issues related to reproductive freedoms, including the contraception mandate, have figured prominently in the campaign. Fifty-six percent of Americans say religiously affiliated hospitals and colleges should be required to provide no-cost contraception coverage to employees, and 45 percent said even houses of worship should be required to do so as well.

The White House mandate exempts houses of worship, but bishops and many other religious liberty advocates have said the exemption should be wider.

The poll shows Americans

are divided by faith identity even on the question of what America's core problems are.

PRRI asked if the country's woes are primarily because of an unfair economic system, and then asked if they are also caused by a moral decline and the loss of traditional values. White evangelical Protestants were much more likely to identify moral decline, not economic inequality (37 percent to 5 percent).

White Catholics, white mainline Protestants and Hispanic Catholics also were more likely to blame shifting values.

But black Protestants and the religiously unaffiliated were equally likely to blame both factors.

Covering religion in Washington DC takes an extra measure of precision, and Washington Post reporter Michelle Boorstein regularly takes that level of care when covering the intersection of religion and politics.



MICHELLE BOORSTEIN



Pictured are six Coahoma singers who were named to the Junior High/Freshman Region Choir last Saturday at an audition in Odessa. They will perform on a concert at Midland Lee High School on Saturday, Nov. 3. They are, back row: Heather Goodger, Cameron Crabtree and Abbie Daniels; middle row: Jenavee Streigler, and Amie Solis; front row: Jori Hanlan.

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World briefs

Poll: Romney erases Obama advantage among women while Obama gains ground with men

WASHINGTON (AP) — What gender gap? Less than two weeks out from Election Day, Republican Mitt Romney has erased President Barack Obama's 16-point advantage among women, a new Associated Press-GfK poll shows. And the president, in turn, has largely eliminated Romney's edge among men.

Those churning gender dynamics leave the presidential race still a virtual dead heat, with Romney favored by 47 percent of likely voters and Obama by 45 percent, a result within the poll's margin of sampling error, the survey shows.

After a commanding first debate performance and a generally good month, Romney has gained ground with Americans on a number of important fronts, including their confidence in how he would handle the economy and their impressions of his ability to understand their problems.

At the same time, expectations that Obama will be re-elected have slipped: Half of voters now expect the president to win a second term, down from 55 percent a month earlier.

Young adults moving out of state at highest rate since housing boom; biggest gain in 13 years

WASHINGTON (AP) — Their lives on hold for years, young adults are now making big moves in the fledgling economic recovery, leaving college towns or parents' homes and heading out of state at the highest rate since the height of the housing boom.

New census data released Thursday offer a detailed look at U.S. migration as mobility begins to revive after sliding to a record low last year.

The latest numbers show that young adults 25-29 are the primary out-of-state movers; they had the biggest gain in 13 years as they struck out on their own to test the job market in urban, high-tech meccas such as Washington, D.C.; Denver; Portland, Ore.; Seattle; and Austin, Texas.

In contrast, groups that showed some of the most movement in the housing boom of the last decade (2000-2010) — working professionals, families and would-be retirees — are still mostly locked in place, their out-of-state migration levels stuck at near lows due to underwater mortgages and shrunken retirement portfolios.

The demographic shifts, which analysts say could continue for many more years, are once again re-jiggering the housing map.

Campaign's focus on jobs pushes climate change, guns, gay rights, immigration to sidelines

WASHINGTON (AP) — Of the roughly 50,000 words spoken in this month's three presidential debates, none were "climate change," "global warm-

ing" or "greenhouse gas."

Housing was discussed in the first debate, but the word "foreclosure" was mentioned in none. Nor was gay marriage.

The 2012 presidential campaign, not just the debates, has focused heavily from the start on jobs, pushing other once high-profile issues to the sidelines. It dismays activists who have spent decades promoting environmental issues, gay rights, gun control and other topics, sometimes managing to lift them to the top tiers of national attention and debate.

With fewer than half of Americans believing that human activity contributes to global warming, according to Pew Research, President Barack Obama talks far less about climate change than he did four years ago. When he locked up the Democratic nomination in June 2008, he said future generations would recall "this was the moment when the rise of the oceans began to slow and our planet began to heal."

Obama hasn't come close to making such claims in recent months.

Windows 8 is make-or-break moment for Microsoft CEO

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer can't afford to be wrong about Windows 8.

On Thursday in New York, Microsoft will unveil a dramatic overhaul of its ubiquitous Windows operating system. If it flops, the failure will reinforce perceptions that Microsoft is falling behind competitors such as Apple, Google and Amazon as its stranglehold on personal computers becomes less relevant in an era of smartphones, tablets and other mobile devices.

If Ballmer is right, Windows 8 will prove that the world's largest software maker still has the technological chops and marketing muscle to shape the future of computing.

"This is going to be his defining moment," said technology industry analyst Patrick Moorhead of Moor Insights & Strategy. Ballmer's "legacy will be looked at as what he did or didn't do with Windows 8. If Windows 8 is not a success, a lot of people will be looking for Microsoft to make a change at the CEO level."

Windows 8 is designed to run on PCs and tablet computers, heralding the biggest change to the industry's dominant operating system in at least 17 years. It also marks the first time that Microsoft has made touch-screen control the top priority, though the system can still be switched into the familiar desktop mode that allows for control by keyboard and mouse.

Trick, no treat: Forecasters predict pre-Halloween freak hurricane-winter storm mix for East

WASHINGTON (AP) — Much of the U.S. East Coast has a good chance

of getting blasted by gale-force winds, flooding, heavy rain and maybe even snow early next week by an unusual hybrid of hurricane and winter storm, federal and private forecasters say.

Though still projecting several days ahead of Halloween week, the computer models are spooking meteorologists. Government scientists said Wednesday the storm has a 70 percent chance of smacking the Northeast and mid-Atlantic.

Hurricane Sandy in the Caribbean, an early winter storm in the West, and a blast of arctic air from the North are predicted to collide, sloshing and parking over the country's most populous coastal corridor starting Sunday. The worst of it should peak early Tuesday, but it will stretch into mid-week, forecasters say.

"It'll be a rough couple days from Hatteras up to Cape Cod," said forecaster Jim Cisco of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The Secret of Good Defense

South dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

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The bidding:
South West North East
1♣ Pass 4♠

Opening lead — two of diamonds.
A good defensive pair will often transmit highly valuable information to one another through the judicious use of signals. Such signals, properly interpreted, can frequently spell the difference between the making and breaking of a contract.
Consider this deal where South's one-spade opening was raised to four spades by North. East found it difficult to bid at this point, and he

passed. It was later discovered that East-West, who never bid, could have made a small slam in hearts or diamonds!
West led a diamond, won by East with the ace. East then cashed the ace of clubs, on which West played the ten, and was faced with the problem of how to put West on lead in order to get a club ruff.
East found the winning solution by leading a low heart. West won with the ace and returned a club, and South went down one.
Had East led a diamond at trick three, hoping to find West with the king, South would have made the contract. It might seem that East was lucky to hit on the heart return, but actually his play was much more than a shot in the dark.
In a potential ruffing situation, it is sometimes possible to use a suit-preference signal to solve a problem. In the given case, when West played the ten of clubs on East's ace at trick two, he was signaling that his entry card was in hearts rather than diamonds. Had West held the king of diamonds instead of the ace of hearts, he would have played the three of clubs on East's ace instead.

Tomorrow: Test your play.
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The Permian Basin Area Health Education Center, together with Legal Aid of Northwest Texas, is holding a conference for veterans and professionals Thursday, Nov. 8, at Midland College's main campus in the Carrasco room from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Free continental breakfast and lunch provided. The event is free to those who register and do not need to receive the CEU's being offered. The cost to those who do need the CEU's is \$15.

Contact Patty Murphy at 432-661-6263 or email pmurphy@midland.edu, or Jill Skaggs at 432-553-4086 or jskaggs@midland.edu for a registration form.

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Sandoval homers three times as Giants win World Series opener 8-3



RONALD BLUM

AP Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Babe. Mr. October. El Hombre. And now Kung Fu Panda.

Pablo Sandoval joined Babe Ruth, Reggie Jackson and Albert Pujols as the only sluggers to hit three home runs in a World Series game, and the San Francisco Giants rolled over Justin Verlander and the Detroit Tigers 8-3 in Wednesday night's opener.

"I want to know what he ate for breakfast, so maybe we can get it for the rest of our team," Tigers catcher Alex Avila said.

Barry Zito — remember him? — won in his World Series debut, two years after poor performances caused the Giants to drop him from their postseason roster.

Coming off a Game 7 win over St. Louis on Monday night, the Giants looked fresh. Following a sweep of the

Yankees and a five-day layoff, Detroit had a Rust Belt relapse reminiscent of its 7-2 loss to St. Louis in the 2006 opener.

"Man, I still can't believe it," Sandoval said. "When you're a little kid, you dream of being in the World Series."

Detroit tries to even the Series on Thursday night, sending Doug Fister to the mound against Madison Bumgarner. The winner of the opener has claimed the title 66 of 107 times, including eight of last nine. The NL is seeking to win three straight Series for first time since 1979-82.

"I think momentum is your next day's pitcher," Tigers manager Jim Leyland said.

A crowd of 42,855 in orange and black made the AT&T Park stands look like a large bowl of Halloween candy.

Sandoval hit a solo home run to right-center on a 95 mph 0-2

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San Francisco's Pablo Sandoval homers during the fifth inning of the opening game of the World Series on Wednesday. The Giants defeated the Detroit Tigers 8-3.

AP photo

Sports Calendar

FRIDAY

Football

- Sweetwater (3-4) at Big Spring (5-2), Memorial Stadium, 7:30 p.m.
- Stamford (7-1) at Forsan (5-2), 7:30 p.m.
- Crane (5-2) at Coahoma (2-5), 7:30 p.m.
- Alps (6-1) at Lanton (3-4), 7:30 p.m.
- Sands (4-3) at Loop (5-2), 7:30 p.m.
- Grady (5-2) at O'Donnell (1-6), 7:30 p.m.
- Garden City (1-6) at Marfa (3-4), 7:30 p.m.

Volleyball

- Big Spring vs. Monahans (to determine No. 2 and No. 3 playoff seed (Abilene Wylie No. 1), Greenwood, 4:30.

To submit a calendar item, please call 263-7331, ext. 237, or e-mail sports@bigspringherald.com

SEC coaches adapt to league's talent

College football is college football, right?

Not in the Southeastern Conference, home to six straight national championships and the inside track to a seventh this season. The players seem faster, the talent level is higher, the scrutiny hotter than anywhere else.

Take it from the coaches and coordinators — especially the new arrivals who have to adjust quickly if they want to stick around for any length of time.

"It's like every week is murderer's row," Arkansas coach John L. Smith said.

"You've got to prepare

for the real guys, the guys who look like they should be playing on Sundays."

Smith has seen college football from just about every angle in his 40 years of coaching. His career began at his alma mater, Weber State, and his 19 years as a head coach has included stops at Louisville and Michigan State.

The 63-year-old Smith received his first full-time taste of the SEC in 2009 when he was hired at Arkansas by Bobby Petrino as an assistant. Smith coached against SEC teams at his previous stops, including an annual matchup with

Kentucky while with the Cardinals, but nothing prepared him for the athleticism he saw in the SEC on a weekly basis — leading to fewer running lanes and even fewer open receivers.

"I'm not downgrading any of the other leagues, but you take a look at some of the other leagues and you say, 'My goodness, that's slow football,'" Smith said. "From the sideline sometimes, you're saying 'OK, we've got a hole and we're going to get 7-10 (yards).' And you look back and you've got 2-3, just because it's a faster game."

Coaches enter the

league with reputations as an offensive whiz, only to find they must quickly change plans to counter the oncoming rush of the SEC's defensive linemen.

Ole Miss is fourth in the league in total offense this season, showing flashes of Freeze's same offensive creativity that led to 10 wins last season at Arkansas State. Freeze said there was "no question" that his previous SEC experience — a two-year stint with the Rebels — has helped with his transition, as well as understanding the

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Undefeated Buckeyes' QB says he's fine after whiplash

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — When Ohio State quarterback Braxton Miller first was hurt in Saturday's game against Purdue, he didn't know what to think.

He'd never before been thrown down on his head and neck.

"I didn't know what it was," he said of his injury. "I was just a little bit dizzy from the hit, whiplash. So they sent me to the hospital to see what it was."

Tests determined that Miller, a sophomore who ranks among the top rushers in the nation, did not have a concussion or any other serious injury. He was cleared to return to practice immediately. The only lingering problem has been a slightly sore neck.

"No. 5 is doing good," coach Urban Meyer said after Ohio State's Wednesday practice. "Full-speed practices

really yesterday and today. Sore neck, but today's much better. He lifted (weights) and he's good to go."

Miller was tackled from behind by Purdue defensive back Josh Johnson late in the third quarter of No. 9 Ohio State's home game. He was thrown hard to the turf, had difficulty getting up, and then had to be carted off the field.

"It was just one of those type hits you clench your eyes," Miller said.

The Buckeyes (8-0, 4-0 Big Ten) ended up pulling out an improbable 29-22 win.

In the hospital, Miller was trying to find out how his teammates were doing.

"I just kept asking the nurse. (She'd say), 'I don't know. We're working on you,'" he said with a laugh. "I just kept asking and they finally told me."

Sports stars sell memories, beat tax increase

NEW YORK (AP) — Rather than leave a 56-year-old uniform hanging in a closet at his Idaho home, Don Larsen decided it should be used for education.

He's auctioning off the Yankee pinstripes he wore in 1956 when he pitched the only perfect game in World Series history, and will use the proceeds to pay college tuition for his grandchildren, one in college and the other a high school freshman.

"I'm not getting any younger and I want to see them get an education before I leave," the 83-year-old Larsen said. "They'll be appreciative later, more so than now, I'm sure."

Similarly, Bob Knight is selling his NCAA championship rings and other mementos to fund education in his family. "I have two grandsons," the Hall of Fame basketball coach said, "and my wife has a niece and nephew, who would get good use out of this."

In fact, a slew of sports memorabilia is on the market, coincidentally or not, just ahead of possible tax increases that could eat up some of the proceeds.

Also up for auction in coming weeks are baseball star Ozzie Smith's Gold Gloves, Evander

Holyfield's boxing championship belts and an original of the agreement Pete Rose signed when he was banned from baseball for life in 1989.

"Sounds like a bunch of guys with full expectations that the Bush tax cuts are going to expire by year's end and not be back for next year," said Steve Gill, associate professor of accounting at San Diego State's Lamden School of Accountancy.

And starting Jan. 1, there will be a new Medicare tax on income from investments for higher-earning people. The IRS hasn't issued rules yet, so money from the sale of collectibles may be subject to the new levy.

"The 3.8 percent Medicare tax would probably be the thing that immediately popped into my mind in terms of what folks may be thinking about," said David Boyle, Americas director of personal financial services for the accounting firm Ernst & Young.

Some athletes used to give away the shirts off their backs or leave them in the clubhouse at season's end. Not anymore.

"If I knew then what I know now, I would have saved all my uniforms," baseball Hall of Fam-

er Yogi Berra said.

These days, polyester double-knit has replaced wool flannel uniforms, and the 10,000-plus outfits sent to the 30 big-league clubs by Majestic Athletic are highly desired by fans. But it is gear from decades ago that is more prized.

"It's just a more honest period of time. Things were clearer. Things were simpler," said Brandon Steiner, whose Steiner Sports Memorabilia is auctioning the Larsen jersey and Knight collection in an online sale that will end Dec. 5.

Retired athletes and auction houses took notice in May when a circa-1920 Babe Ruth jersey was sold by SCP Auctions for \$4.4 million to Lelands.com, which had a buyer lined up.

"Now not everybody is going to have a \$4.4 million piece of memorabilia, but they might have something that is worth between \$25,000 and \$250,000," said Ken Goldin of Goldin Auctions, which is selling the Rose agreement. "So different deals are being cut with the auction houses to bring that particular memorabilia to market while the players perceive it to be a good time to do so."

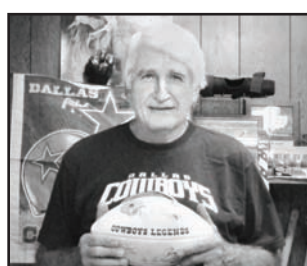
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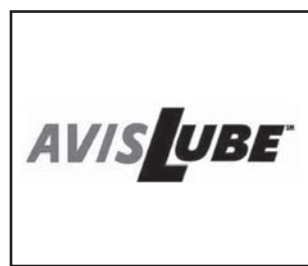
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You don't mean to mislead people, but sometimes you get too ambitious with your promises. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Many try to close deals and make sales, but few will do so as consistently as you. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll be among a diverse group of helpful, loquacious individuals. CANCER (June 22-July

Tomorrow's Horoscope

22). Silence is a basic need of yours and one that has rarely been met given the demands of your schedule lately. There's something you need to let go of in order to make room for silence. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There are events that you look forward to, and then there are events, such as dental appointments and the like, that you look forward to being done with. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You aim to give credit where it's due. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Because you like others to feel comfortable around you, you'll be tempted to agree with them in word and deed even while inwardly disagreeing. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you don't feel passion for your job today, no worries. You can still find success by putting your efforts behind the next right move.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Family or close friends may need money from you. If you decide to lend it, don't expect to get it back. MENTALLY write it off as a gift. Any amount that you are repaid will be a bonus. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You can always make more money, but finding more time is tricky. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your success depends on specialization. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If you feel lost, don't be in too big of a rush to get found. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY: (Oct. 25). Your endeavors will be supported by friends and family because you are loved, but also because of the good you do in the world. You'll be fixing up a property in November. January features a creative breakthrough

and a new way to earn money. March brings a bit of fame. AQUARIUS and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 50, 2, 31, 39 and 18. ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Do you know any love spells I could cast on a Sagittarius who is totally hot? He also happens to be my boss, so I want to go carefully with this. Oh, how I love him! But I will not flirt with him because he can't find out (I also love my job! That's why I'm thinking a love spell might help. Maybe he would discover that he loves me, which is totally different from me loving him and not a fire-able offense. Thank you in advance." -- Pisces Paralegal If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Holiday Mathis and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com. COPYRIGHT 2012 CREATORS.COM

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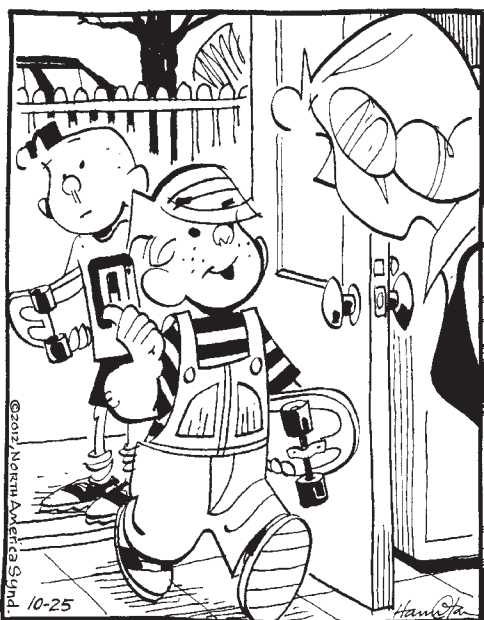
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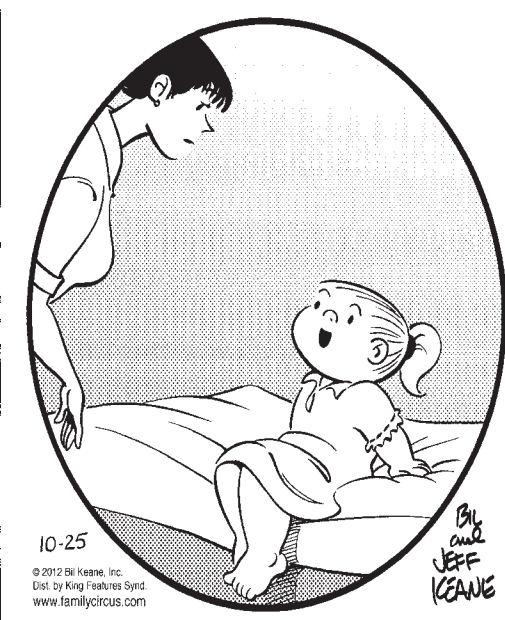
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7:PM :30	Last Resort	Por Ella Soy Eva	2012 World Series: Game 2: Teams TBA.	Ent	Big Bang	Rosa Diamante (SS)	Fam. Guy	Upd	Finding Your Roots	The Vampire Diaries	Property Wars	Movie: From Dusk Till Dawn	IMPACT Wrestling	The Mentalist	Game Gravity	World/Poker	College Football: Clemson at Wake Forest.	
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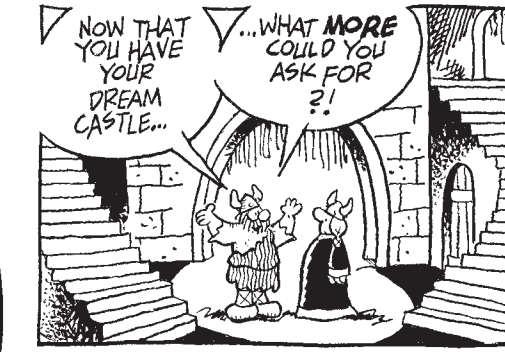
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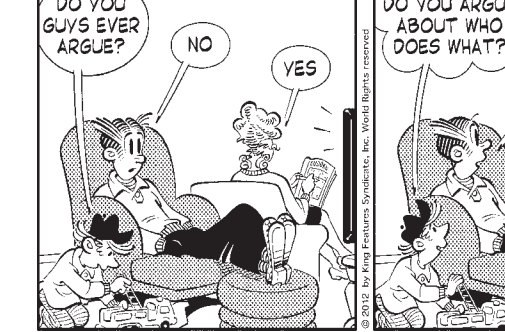


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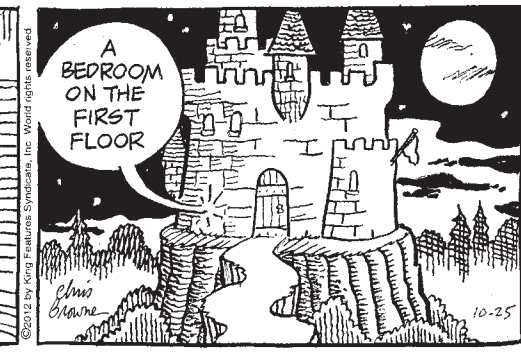
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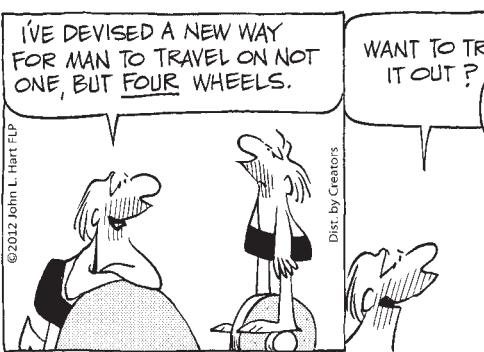
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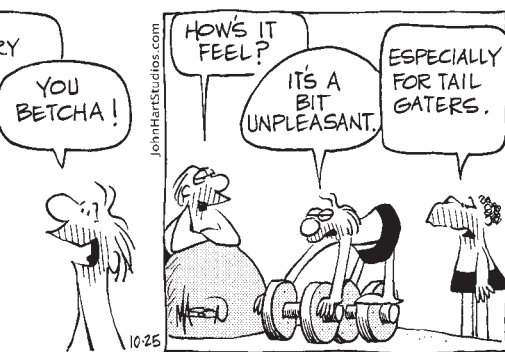
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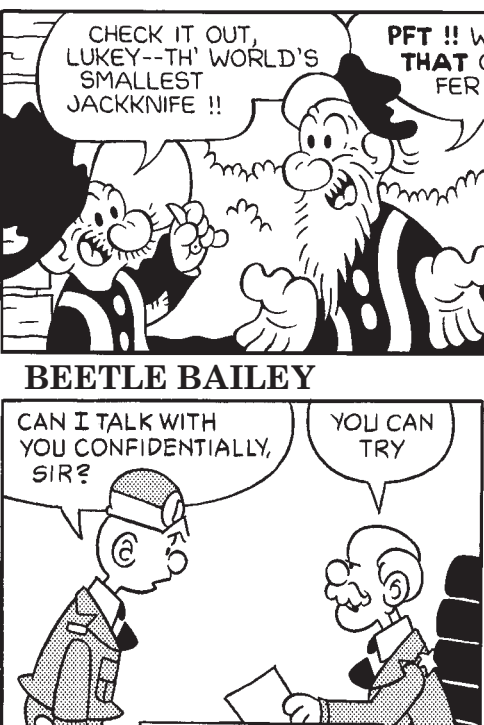
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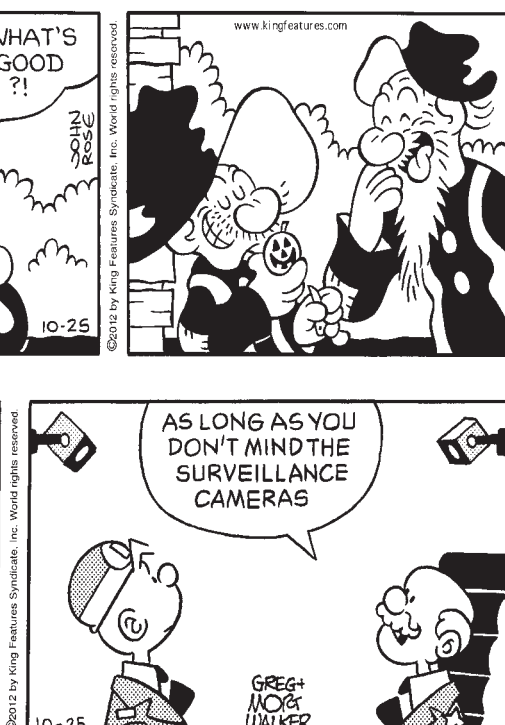
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Oct. 25, the 299th day of 2012. There are 67 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 25, 1962, in a dramatic confrontation before the U.N. Security Council, U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson II demanded that Soviet Ambassador Valerian Zorin confirm or deny the existence of Soviet-built missile bases in Cuba; when Zorin declined to respond, Stevenson said he was prepared to wait "until hell freezes over" for an answer. Stevenson then presented photographic evidence of the bases to the Council.

On this date:

In 1760, Britain's King George III succeeded his late grandfather, George II.

In 1812, the frigate USS United States, commanded by Stephen Decatur, captured the British vessel HMSMacedonian during the War of 1812.

In 1854, the "Charge of the

literature.

In 1971, the U.N. General Assembly voted to admit mainland China and expel Taiwan.

Today's Birthdays: Former American League President and Baseball Hall of Famer Lee MacPhail is 95. Former American League president Dr. Bobby Brown is 88. Singer-actress Barbara Cook is 85. Actress Jeanne Cooper is 84. Actress Marion Ross is 84. Country singer Jeanne Black is 75. Basketball Hall of Famer Bobby Knight is 72. Author Anne Tyler is 71. Rock singer Jon Anderson (Yes) is 68. Political strategist James Carville is 68. Singer Taffy Danoff (Starland Vocal Band) is 68.

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Answer to previous puzzle

VOCAL	GLAD	AKC
IVORY	IRONY	DOE
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Newsday Crossword

OUT OF HANDS by Fred Piscop

- Edited by Stanley Newman
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- ACROSS
- 1 Go-to person
 - 4 Sesame Street regular
 - 9 ___ and all (as is)
 - 14 Whole bunch
 - 15 ___ cotta
 - 16 Isolated from others
 - 17 Ginormous
 - 18 Prepare for a bout
 - 19 Pool table material
 - 20 They have hands
 - 23 Roman wrap
 - 24 Double curve
 - 25 Sought
 - 28 Casts forth
 - 30 Get-up-and-go
 - 31 New Haven collegian
 - 32 Hamm of soccer
 - 34 According to
 - 35 Ticks off
 - 36 They have hands
 - 39 Well-informed about
 - 41 Blue bird
 - 42 Summer sign
 - 43 Buddy
 - 44 Buddy
 - 45 Put into law
 - 49 Some dinnerware
 - 51 Storage tank
 - 54 Cruise stop
 - 55 They have hands
 - 58 MPs' quarries
 - 60 Biscotti flavoring
- DOWN
- 1 Box-score stats
 - 2 Candy dispenser of a sort
 - 3 Hire
 - 4 Beetle Bailey dog
 - 5 Suit material
 - 6 Mouths
 - 61 Sofa scratcher
 - 62 Oktoberfest tune
 - 63 Ruminates
 - 64 St. crosser
 - 65 Wedding party ritual
 - 66 Noblemen
 - 67 Homer Simpson's neighbor
 - 7 Puccini pieces
 - 8 Have a cow
 - 9 Get clean
 - 10 To Rome With Love director
 - 11 Dinner chickens
 - 12 Blaster's need
 - 13 "Didn't I tell you?"
 - 21 Tin-star wearer
 - 22 Model Ties
 - 26 Antlered animal
 - 27 Talk trash about
 - 29 Respectful title
 - 30 Prankster's projectile
 - 33 Fine-tune
 - 34 Tissue thickness
 - 35 Unexpected, as some endings
 - 36 Minute Maid owner
 - 37 Be worth it
 - 38 Shoebox letters
 - 39 Dispute settler
 - 40 Comrade
 - 44 Subtly suggests
 - 46 Garbage holder
 - 47 Split with an axe
 - 48 Tried out
 - 50 Conferences
 - 51 Locale, in law
 - 52 Pop up
 - 53 Police weapon
 - 56 Reading aid
 - 57 Monster's supposed home
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fastball at the letters in the first. He reached outside and hit a two-run, opposite-field drive to left in the third on another 95 mph pitch from Verlander, the reigning AL MVP and Cy Young winner. Then added another bases-empty shot into the center-field batter's eye in the fifth, this time on an 84 mph off-speed offering from Al Alburquerque.

Verlander was chased after allowing five runs and six hits in four innings, his shortest start this year, and he dropped to 0-3 with a 7.20 ERA in World Series play.

"I just didn't execute tonight," Verlander said.

Left off the 2010 post-season roster by the champion Giants, Zito shut out the Tigers until Triple Crown winner Miguel Cabrera's RBI single in the sixth.

San Francisco won for the 14th straight time with Zito starting — quite a turnaround from his image as a \$126 million bust.

When Giants manager Bruce Bochy tried to call Zito on Tuesday to let him know he was getting the ball, Bochy couldn't get through.

Turns out Zito had left his phone at the ballpark.

"Just the opportunity alone was mind-blowing. Me and my wife were dancing around when I heard," Zito said.

Sandoval, given his nickname for his roly-poly physique, was benched in four of five games during the 2010 World Series, his production and confidence down, his weight up.

In the stands on this night, fans wearing furry panda hats celebrated with him.

"It's just a pleasure to be a part of it all," he said.

There had been only one previous three-homer game at the ballpark — by the Dodgers' Kevin Elster in the very first game in 2000. No Giant had hit three at home since Barry Bonds back in 1994 at Candlestick Park.

Perhaps because AT&T has become a premier pitcher's park — there were just 84

homers there this year, 25 fewer than any other big league stadium.

"I'll never forget it," Bochy said. "Three home runs on a stage like this, that's pretty impressive."

Ruth did it in 1926 and again in 1928, Jackson in 1977 and Pujols last year.

Sandoval also had success against Verlander in July, hitting the first bases-loaded triple in All-Star game history during a five-run first. The NL's 8-0 win wound up giving the Giants homefield advantage for the Series.

Marco Scutaro, the NL championship series MVP, twice hit RBI singles after doubles by Angel Pagan.

NL batting champion Buster Posey contributed two hits, left fielder Gregor Blanco made diving catches to rob Cabrera and Prince Fielder, and Tim Lincecum came out of the bullpen to retire seven straight batters — striking out five.

San Francisco kept getting good bounces, with Pagan hitting a double that hopped off the third-base bag at almost a right angle and into left field.

ALCS MVP Delmon Young, meanwhile, failed to run after a taper in front of the plate that the Giants turned into a double play.

When Sandoval faced struggling Tigers reliever Jose Valverde in the seventh, he became the first player to bat with a chance for a four-homer Series game since Ruth came up against the St. Louis Cardinals' Bill Hallahan in 1926. Ruth walked, and Cabrera stroked a single to left-center.

"We were hoping for a water shot," Giants pitcher Jeremy Affeldt said, "but he got a lousy single. Kind of killed the whole deal for us."

The World Series will continue tonight.

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adjustments aren't just on the field.

"From speaking engagements to media requests, it's a much higher magnitude here," Freeze said. "But as far as the day to day operations, the kids are the same, the headaches are the same, the challenges are the same."

Texas A&M coach Kevin Sumlin, in his first year with the Aggies, has a team that leads the conference in total offense. Sumlin, who guided Houston to the top passing, total and scoring offense in the country last season, has had little trouble adapting his offensive philosophy to the SEC.

Sumlin said he used to get input from opposing coaches about other teams while at Houston, joking that "people don't give me a lot of advice anymore" with the Aggies in the ultra-competitive

SEC.

He said the biggest change in the league has been adapting to its year-round nature.

"The coaches in this league are extremely aggressive on the football field and in recruiting," Sumlin said. "Aggressive is probably not the right word, but competitive is. Because of that there's some very, very talented guys in this league and some really, really good coaching."

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